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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20001

PATRICIA M. WALD
UNITED STATES CIRCUIT JUDGE

April 7, 1981

The Honorable William J. Casey
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Mr. Casey:

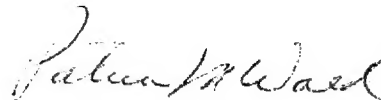
I am writing to you in my capacity as Chairman of the Selection Committee for the Justice Tom C. Clark Award. This award is presented annually by the District of Columbia Chapter of the Federal Bar Association to an outstanding career lawyer in government service in the Washington, D. C. area.

The purpose of the award is to give public recognition to career lawyers who have performed outstanding work for the government; to stimulate the interest of the public and the legal profession in the diversified opportunities and responsibilities of career lawyers, and in the significant contributions made by them; and to encourage high standards of performance by career lawyers.

Although your organization has probably received information on this award from other sources, I am attaching a copy of the notice requesting nominations. I hope that you will designate a member of your staff to assure that this matter receives consideration from those individuals familiar with the work of your career lawyers.

This is a significant and valued award. The Section Committee hopes that all departments and agencies will submit appropriate nominations to assure the selection of an outstanding lawyer from a truly representative group of nominees.

Sincerely,



Patricia M. Wald

Enclosure

Federal Bar Association

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THE JUSTICE TOM C. CLARK ANNUAL AWARD FOR 1981

The annual "Justice Tom C. Clark Award" will be given for the twenty-second consecutive year in 1981. The award is presented each year by the District of Columbia Chapter of the Federal Bar Association in recognition of outstanding accomplishments by lawyers of the career service employed in the District of Columbia, by the United States Government, or by the Government of the District of Columbia. The award honors our former National President in his distinguished career as a government attorney, as The Attorney General of the United States, as a Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, and as the first Director of the Federal Judicial Center.

The award will be presented this year at a luncheon meeting of the District of Columbia Chapter to be held on June 24, 1981. Chief Justice Warren E. Burger is the Honorary Chairman of the selection panel for the award. The chairman and members of the panel are:

Hon. Patricia M. Wald Chairman	Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit
Hon. William French Smith	Attorney General of the United States, U. S. Department of Justice
Steven P. Frankino	Dean, Columbus School of Law, Catholic University of America
Mark R. Joelson	Private Practice
Karen S. Lee	President, District of Columbia Chapter, Federal Bar Association

The committee requests that nominations be forwarded not later than May 29, 1981, to Chapter President Karen S. Lee, The Federal Bar Association, D. C. Chapter, 1815 H Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006, in the manner set forth below.

Purpose of the Award Program

The purpose of the award program is threefold:

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- (1) to give public recognition to career lawyers who have performed outstanding work for the United States Government or for the Government of the District of Columbia, or in the field of federal public law generally;
- (2) to stimulate the interest of the public and the legal profession in the diversified opportunities and responsibilities of career lawyers, and in the significant contributions made by them; and
- (3) to encourage a high standard of performance by career lawyers.

Basis of the Award

The following criteria are considered by the judging panel in selecting nominees:

- (1) General accomplishments -- a nominee may be qualified by outstanding legal ability, scholarship, and performance over a sustained period even though the specific accomplishments are not related;

or

- (2) Specific accomplishments -- a nominee may be qualified by virtue of a specific accomplishment which results in significant benefit to the government or to the legal profession and which constitutes a contribution to the development of public law. The accomplishment of the nominee should be reasonably related in time to the year preceding the nomination.

Eligibility of Nominees

Any civilian or military career attorney employed in the District of Columbia by the United States Government or by the Government of the District of Columbia at the time of the accomplishment for which the award is given is eligible to receive the award, except as indicated below.

A nominee will not be considered unless the accomplishments constituting the basis for his or her nomination occurred or were performed during the five year period of government service immediately preceding the date of the submission of the nomination. Neither will a nominee be considered if such government service was terminated more than one year preceding the date of the submission of the nomination.

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No nominee will be considered for the award if the accomplishments constituting the chief basis for his or her nomination were required in an office of the United States Government or the Government of the District of Columbia, pursuant to appointment by the President and confirmation by the Senate, or while serving in a judicial or quasi-judicial capacity.

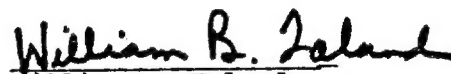
Nomination -- Manner of Submission

Heads of departments and agencies are encouraged to submit nominations for the award on behalf of qualified personnel in their departments or agencies. Members of the District of Columbia Chapter of the Federal Bar Association are also urged to submit nominations in writing addressed to the President of the District of Columbia Chapter on or before May 29, 1981.

No nomination will be considered by the judging panel unless it meets the following standards:

- (1) The presentation must be typewritten, or mimeographed, on standard 8" x 10 1/2" sheets, double-spaced.
- (2) The first paragraph must state (a) the name and age of the nominee, (b) the total number of years during which he or she has served in the United States Government or in the Government of the District of Columbia, and (c) the department or agencies in which he or she has served or is presently serving.
- (3) Following the information in (2) above, the presentation should develop and enlarge upon the general or specific accomplishments of the nominee.
- (4) The presentation should not exceed five pages.
- (5) Seven copies of the presentation should be submitted. Exhibits are not to be attached to the presentation.

Sincerely yours,


William B. Toland
Chairman
Tom C. Clark Award Committee

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